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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

EDWARDS et al.

Serial No.: 09/508,512

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For: SELECTIVE MONITORING OF TRITIUM-CONTAINING SPECIES IN A GAS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants request that the period for response to the outstanding official action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) for THREE (3) months to May 5, 2003.

The fee set in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) for a three month extension of time is \$465.00 and a check in this amount is submitted herewith. Small entity status has been established. Please charge any additional fee required for this extension to Deposit Account No. 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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